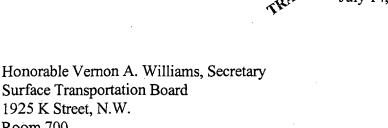


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> STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 603X), CSX Transportation, Inc. – Re: Abandonment Exemption - in Webster County, WV

Dear Secretary Williams:

The Webster County Chamber of Commerce ("County") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 10.5 miles of railroad between milepost BUG-0.0 at Cowen and milepost BUG-10.5 at Bolair, in Webster County, WV, in the above-entitled proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expires on July 17, 2006. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with the County, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with the County. CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a 180-day extension of time to January 14, 2007 to negotiate trail use with the County. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to March 15, 2007.

Enclosed please find the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$350.00. Please time and date stamp a copy of this letter and return it with the enclosed self-addressed and stamped letter.

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Thank you for your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Armbrust

cc: Parties of Record